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drop in and have a look.

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can put you right? Consult Beten's  
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cleaned in your own home by  
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PANY, DEERFIELD HILL, U.S.A.,  
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CARPETS & RUGS—Genuine  
Peking and Tibetan, lovely de-  
signs and colourings, various sizes  
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CANTONESE lessons given in  
group or privately by the writer  
of "A Guide to Cantonese". Books  
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BALLROOM DANCING—"Made  
Easy" Advanced Variations taught.  
"Specialities" Rumba, Samba,  
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Hotel Now Displaying Large  
Selection Spring and Summer  
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Until 6 p.m.

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worldwide stations to their hearts'  
content with the amazing Pilot  
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cluding "A.F." stage. Handsome  
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vised edition) at \$3.00 per copy.  
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Stores and "China Mail" Office.

GREEN ISLAND  
CEMENT COMPANY,  
LIMITED

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

EXTRAORDINARY  
GENERAL MEETING

## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that an EXTRAORDINARY  
GENERAL MEETING of the  
Green Island Cement Com-  
pany, Limited, will be held at  
its Registered Offices, Telephone  
House, Hong Kong, on Tuesday,  
the 14th March, 1950, at 12.15  
p.m. (or as soon thereafter as  
the Ordinary Yearly Meeting to  
be held at noon on that date  
shall have been concluded) for  
the purpose of considering and,  
if thought fit, passing the sub-  
joined Resolutions as Ordinary  
Resolutions:—

- (1) "That the Authorised  
Capital of the Company be  
increased from its present  
Capital of H.K.\$5,000,000  
divided into 500,000 shares  
of H.K.\$10.00 each (of which  
300,000 shares have been issued)  
to H.K.\$10,000,000.00 by the  
creation of 500,000 additional  
shares of the nominal value of  
H.K.\$10.00 each and that the  
unissued shares of the  
Company's Capital and such  
additional shares as aforesaid  
shall be issued at such time or  
times and upon such terms and  
conditions as the Company's  
Board of Directors in their  
absolute discretion shall  
think fit."

Tenders must attach to  
each tender a Deposit Receipt  
showing that they have de-  
posited at the Treasury,  
Prince's Building, the sum of  
\$50.00 as a pledge of the bona  
fides of their tenders which  
sum will be forfeited to the  
Crown if the successful ten-  
derer fails, or refuses to im-  
plement his tender. The deposit  
will be returned to unsuccessful  
tenderers.

## NOTICE

PUBLIC WORKS  
DEPARTMENT

It is hereby notified that  
sealed tenders in duplicate,  
which should be clearly marked  
"Tender for Photographs" will  
be received at the office of the  
Chairman, Tender Board, Colonial  
Secretariat, Lower Albert  
Road, until noon on Friday,  
17th March, 1950, for taking  
progress photographs of Public  
Works for the period from 1st  
April, 1950 to 31st March, 1951.

Forms of tender, specification  
and other particulars may be  
obtained at the Headquarters,  
Public Works Department,  
Secretariat Building, ground  
floor, Lower Albert Road.

The Government does not  
bind itself to accept the lowest  
or any tender and reserves the  
right to accept all or any part  
of any tender.

E. A. BOYCE,

Director of Public Works.

Hong Kong, February 20, 1950

## REMOVAL NOTICE

AMERICAN  
INTERNATIONAL  
ASSURANCE CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that  
as of Saturday, March 11th,  
1950, The Offices of The Above  
Company will be situate at  
Edinburgh House, 5th floor  
Hongkong.

Hongkong, March 11, 1950.

THE HONG KONG FIRE  
INSURANCE CO. LTD.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventy-seventh Ordina-  
ry Yearly Meeting of Share-  
holders will be held at the  
offices of the Undersigned on  
Thursday, March 30, 1950, at  
Noon, for the purpose of re-  
ceiving the Report of the Gen-  
eral Managers together with a  
Statement of Accounts for the  
year ended December 31, 1949.

The Share Register and  
Transfer Books will be closed  
from March 16 to March 30,  
1950, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON

& CO., LTD.,

General Managers,

The Hong Kong

Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hong Kong, March 9, 1950.

## LAMBERT BROS.

Auctioneers, Surveyors

& Appraisers,

Pedder Building,

Telephone No. 20224.

## HARRIMAN REALTY CO., LTD.

King's Building (2nd floor) 9 Connaught Rd., Hong Kong.

Real Estate

Brokers

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TO LET

Peak New flat from \$1,200 month on

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THE "STAR" FERRY  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

ORDINARY  
YEARLY MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that  
the Forty-eighth Ordinary  
Yearly Meeting of the Mem-  
bers of the Company will be  
held at the Office of Messrs.  
Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.,  
Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on  
Friday, the 17th day of  
March, 1950, at Noon, to  
transact the following busi-  
ness:—

1. To receive and consider the  
Report of the Directors and  
the Statement of Accounts  
for the year ended 31st  
December, 1949.
2. To sanction a dividend in  
respect of the year 1949.
3. To elect two Directors.
4. To appoint Auditors.

CLOSING OF TRANSFER  
BOOKS.

Notice is also given that the  
Transfer Books and Register  
of Members will be closed from  
the 4th March, 1950 to the 17th  
March, 1950, both days in-  
clusive.

By Order of the

Board of Directors,

G.B.S. THOMSON,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, February 23, 1950.

THE "STAR" FERRY  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

Notice is hereby given that  
an Extraordinary General  
Meeting of the Members of the  
Company will be held at the  
Office of Messrs. Jardine,  
Matheson & Co. Ltd., Pedder  
Street, Hong Kong, on Friday,  
17th March, 1950, at 12.20  
p.m. or at such time as the  
Ordinary Yearly Meeting to be  
held at the same place at Noon  
shall terminate, for the pur-  
pose of considering and, if  
thought fit, passing the follow-  
ing as a Special Resolution, viz:—

"That the Authorised Cap-  
ital of the Company (which  
is now \$1,000,000.00 con-  
sisting of 100,000 Shares of  
the nominal value of \$10.00  
each, of which 80,000  
Shares have been issued)  
be increased to \$20,000,000.00  
by the creation of 1,900,000  
additional Shares of the nominal  
value of \$10.00 each, and that  
such Shares be issued at such  
time or times and upon such  
terms as the Company's Board  
of Directors in their absolute  
discretion shall think fit."

By Order of the Board of  
Directors.

J. S. C. NEEL,

General Manager &

Secretary.

Dated this 15th day of

February, 1950.

GREEN ISLAND  
CEMENT CO., LTD.

## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the Fifty-seventh Ordinary  
Yearly Meeting of Shareholders  
will be held at the Office of  
the Company, Telephone House,  
Des Voeux Road Central, Victo-  
ria, Hong Kong, on Tuesday,  
14th March, 1950, at NOON  
for the purpose of receiving the  
Report of the Board of Direc-  
tors together with the State-  
ment of Accounts for the year  
ended 31st December, 1949, and  
to elect Directors and appoint  
Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the  
Company will be closed from  
Tuesday, the 28th February,  
1950, to Tuesday, the 14th  
March, 1950, both days in-  
clusive.

By Order of the Board of

Directors.

J.S.C. NEEL,

General Manager &

Secretary.

Dated this 15th day of

February, 1950.

HONGKONG  
TRAMWAYS LIMITED

## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the Ordinary Yearly Gen-  
eral Meeting of the Company  
will be held at the Offices of  
Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and  
Company, Limited, Hong Kong,  
on Friday, 31st day of March,  
1950, at 11.00 o'clock in the  
forenoon, to transact the ordi-  
nary business of the Com-  
pany.

The Register of Members and  
Transfer Books of the Com-  
pany will be closed from the  
18th day of March to the 31st  
day of March, 1950, both days  
inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

W. H. PATERSON

Secretary

Hong Kong, March 10, 1950.

## POLICE NOTICE

A diamond ring was found  
on the beach at Repulse Bay,  
near the Lido, on February 5,  
1950. Will any claimants  
please communicate with the  
Divisional Superintendent,  
Western Police Station.

COMMISSIONER OF

POLICE

March 10, 1950

## NOTICE OF REMOVAL

## A. S. WATSON &amp; CO., LTD.

As from Monday next, 13th inst., the Com-  
pany's Registered Office will be situated at—

Gloucester Building, 1st floor,

Rooms 110/114.

Telephone Numbers as at present.

THE  
BANK OF CANTON LTD.

## ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly  
General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company will be  
held at the Head Office of the Company, 6, Des Voeux Road,  
Central, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, March 15, 1950, at 3.00  
p.m. for the purpose of receiving and considering the reports  
of the Directors and of the Auditors and the Profit and  
Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year ending Decem-  
ber 31, 1949, and for the appointment of Auditors and De-  
claration of Dividends.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed  
from March 6 to March 15, 1950 (both days inclusive) during  
which period no transfer of shares will be registered.

By Order of the Board,

D. S. YUAN,

Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, March 1, 1950.

## NOTICE

## Third Race Meeting

11th March 1950

1st Race — Magazine Gap Handicap (1st Section)

8th Race — Magazine Gap Handicap (3rd Section)

9th Race — Windy Gap Handicap (3rd Section)

The Handicap weights in the above have been

reduced 4 lb. all round.

5th Race — Windy Gap Handicap (2nd Section)

The Handicap weights in the above have been

reduced 5 lb. all round.

The correct Handicap weights will appear in the Race Book.

By Order,

S. A. SLEAP,

Secretary.

SANDAKAN LIGHT  
& POWER CO.  
(1922), LTD.

Notice is hereby given that  
the 23rd Ordinary Yearly  
Meeting of the Shareholders  
will be held at the Offices of  
The Union Trading Co., Ltd.,  
York Building, Hong Kong, on  
Friday, March 24, 1950, at 12  
noon, for the purpose of re-  
ceiving a Report and State-  
ment of Accounts for the year  
ended June 30, 1949, electing  
Directors and appointing Au-  
ditors.

AND NOTICE is also given  
that the Share Transfer Regis-  
ters will be closed from March  
18, 1950, to March 24, 1950,  
both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board.

A. D. LEARMONTH,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, March 10, 1950.

HONG KONG OXFORD  
AND CAMBRIDGE  
SOCIETY

The Annual Dinner of the  
above Society is to be held in  
the Hong Kong Club at 7.45  
p.m. on Saturday, 1st April,  
1950.

The Officers of the Society  
are:

His Excellency Sir Alexander

Grantham, K.C.M.G.—

President

H. S. Mok, Esq.—Hon. Treas-  
urer & Secretary (Oxon.)

J. P. Aserappa, Esq.—Hon.  
Secretary (Cambridge)

Membership is open to men  
whose names have been at any  
time on the roll of any college  
at either University.

Will those wishing to attend  
the dinner please send their  
names to either of the Secre-  
taries at "Fairview," 41A Con-  
naught Road, or the Colonial  
Secretariat, Hong Kong, re-  
spectively as soon as possible  
before 24th March, 1950.

Further details and tickets  
will be sent to individuals.

THE HONG KONG  
JOCKEY CLUB

## NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Australian Subscription  
Ponies 1951

The Stewards have ordered  
a batch of 100 Australian Sub-  
scription Ponies to race in 1951  
and they now invite Members  
to subscribe for them.

An application form has  
been posted to every Member.  
In the event of non-delivery  
further forms may be obtained  
at the Club's Office, 1st Floor,  
Telephone House.

The Subscription List will  
close with SATURDAY, 11th  
MARCH, 1950.

By Order,

S. A. SLEAP,

Secretary.

Hongkong, February 15, 1950.

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Haircut, Shave & Sham-  
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Blonde? (NATURALLY!)  
Bashful? (HUMMMMM!)  
Bend! (HUMMMMM!)

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"A New Programme of Marvellous Cartoons and Varieties"

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| (5) Cubby's world Flight | (10) Picnic Problem |

Exclusive First Showing in Hongkong  
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## GOVERNMENT WINS CONFIDENCE VOTE

### House packed for debate

The Government won the confidence vote on steel nationalisation in the House of Commons tonight. The figures were Government 310, Opposition 296.

The House was packed for the debate on steel nationalisation on which the fate of the Government had depended.

The Deputy Prime Minister, Mr. Herbert Morrison, had made it clear that the motion before the House in the names of Mr. Winston Churchill and other Conservative leaders was an issue of confidence.

The Conservative amendment to the Address by the King took the form of "regretting" that the future of the steel industry was not mentioned in the King's Speech which outlined the Government programme.

Opening the debate, Mr. Oliver Lyttelton, a Conservative former Minister, emphasised that the amendment was put down to secure a promise from the Government that it would not make the vesting date earlier than nine months after the next Election or some equivalent date.

Mr. Lyttelton warned the Government not to undermine the forces which would come to the Opposition's aid.

The Minister of Supply, Mr. George Strauss, taunted the Conservatives with being under the misapprehension that they had won the Election.

He said that the Government would not abandon a measure it believed essential to maintain full employment and prosperity.

**Liberals' views**

Mr. Euan Bowen, the first Liberal speaker, questioned the Opposition's motives in putting forward their amendment, but said that in view of the Liberals' strong opposition to nationalising steel they must support it.

Labour laughter greeted his statement that the Liberals had given notice on their decision to the Government Whip because "it is in the national interest that the Government should not be brought to an end by a sudden and snap vote."

When a Labour Member asked if the Liberals would take the consequences if their vote tonight defeated the Government, Mr. Bowen replied, amid loud laughter from the Government benches, "If they did, the responsibility would certainly not be with the Liberal Party. The Government can defeat this amendment very easily without a division by postponing indefinitely nationalisation of steel."

Earlier he had said that it would have been better if the Opposition amendment had not been put down.

The former Foreign Minister, Mr. Anthony Eden, winding up for the Opposition, contended that for the country at the General Election "certainly did not give a verdict in favour of this particular Act" (the Steel Nationalisation Act).

At the Election any vote given for a Conservative or Liberal could honestly be considered as a vote against the Steel Act, he asserted.

"If there could be a referendum of some kind I have not the least doubt that the country would vote emphatically against any more nationalisation," Mr. Eden said.

#### Attlee's reply

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, replying to the Debate, said that the amendment had been brought in because of "some strange calculations" about the General Election.

The General Election was not a plebiscite, Mr. Attlee said. "It is very rare in this country that you have an election on a single issue."

"One thing that was decided by the General Election was that the country did not want Mr. Churchill and his Party," Mr. Attlee said.

The amendment was put forward for Party political reasons. The action at this time of putting down an amendment to the Address was wholly irresponsible, Mr. Attlee further said.

Tonight's first searching test of Labour's narrow majority—seven in the whole House of Commons—saw the largest muster of members in the memory of most living Members to register the biggest vote since full Parliamentary records began 12 decades ago.

Packed into the House by Party Whips, the near complete mobilisation of voting strength came with Members squinting all round the Speaker's dais and jammed elbow to elbow below the bar at the opposite end of the Chamber.

#### Sitting on laps

The Government Front Bench was so crowded that Ministers

London, March 9.

nationalisation in the House of Commons tonight. The figures were Government 310, Opposition 296.

### Industry is dissatisfied

London, March 9.

A new tide of dissatisfaction—pent up during the pre-General Election period because trade unionists were anxious not to embarrass the Labour Party—swept across British industry today as engineers, shipbuilders and dockers discussed strike action.

The leaders of 37 engineering and shipbuilding unions, meeting at York, voted to ballot their 2,600,000 members on a proposal to strike in support of their claim for a balanced £1 a week rise.

The claim, rejected by the employers, would cost an estimated £100,000,000 to £120,000,000 a year if granted.

Another storm centre was in the Midlands where 700 miners at Baggeridge, largest colliery in the South Staffordshire coalfield, struck work. Another 800 men were made idle by the strike, which resulted from a local pay grievance.—Reuter.

were practically sitting in each other's laps.

Tonight's victory is only the first round of the struggle. The Government faces the same ordeal again on Monday, when the House votes on a second Conservative amendment, this time on housing policy.

The next day there will be another division on Supplementary Estimates.

Later in the week Mr. Winston Churchill, Opposition leader, will attack on a new front—whether Britain is getting value for her immense spending on defence.

Other speakers in this debate on Thursday—will be the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, and the Defence Minister, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell.

The case of the atom spy, Klaus Fuchs, may be aired in this debate, on which there will be no vote.—Reuter.

### INDO-CHINA AID

Saigon, March 9.

The United States economic mission here tonight labelled untrue and premature, Washington Press reports that economic aid in Indo-China will only go to the French.

The method of allocating aid has not yet been decided, the mission said.—Reuter.

## TAIPEH'S MOVE AT GENEVA

Geneva, March 9.

The Chinese Nationalist government formally withdrew today from the 1947 Geneva tariff agreement.

A communication from the Chinese delegation to the United Nations at Lake Success advised the 33 members of the agreement meeting here of China's decision to withdraw. No explanation was given.

Withdrawal at 60 days' notice is permissible under the terms of the agreement. China is the first member formally to withdraw although Cuba has done so temporarily pending the conclusion of tariff negotiations with the United States.

The Chinese withdrawal becomes effective on May 5. After that date, the remaining members are no longer bound to apply the most favoured nation principle in tariffs on imports from China.

The Chinese Nationalist action could thus have considerable adverse effects on the trade of Communist China. It is believed that some members of the agreement, such as the United Kingdom, India and other members of the British Empire, which have recognised the Chinese Communist Government of Mao Tse-tung may decide to apply the benefits of the agreement as hitherto to Communist China's trade, regardless of the Nationalist Government's withdrawal.—Associated Press.

## STAR

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Powder-scorched saga of the ruthless cattle king!

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# Sir Arthur Morse on the future of China SINO-BRITISH TRADE

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# MOTERING NEWS AND VIEWS

## DEMONSTRATION OF BRITISH JET-PROPELLED MOTOR CAR

### Trial run at speed near 90 m.p.h.

Towcester, March 9.  
 The British car industry's biggest post-war secret — a sleek jet-propelled car — was given its first public demonstration today.

Propelled by a pair of twin kerosene-fed jet turbines, the car — a grey sports coupe — whipped over a concrete landing strip near Towcester at nearly 90 miles per hour. It idled and reversed with the ease of a conventional car.

The new machine — which the makers say should be in mass production within two to four years — is aimed at giving Britain a bigger share of the dollar motor market.

The car was put through its paces at Silverstone airport near here by F. R. Bell, engineer in charge of its development for the Rover Motor Company of Birmingham.

Outwardly it looks like a normal two-seat sports car, except for three air intake openings on either side and two square exhaust grids on which hot colourless gases escape behind the driver and his passenger.

The car's two kerosene-operated turbines lie behind the driver's seat. The turbines are hooked directly to the rear wheels, eliminating clutch and gears.

The driver uses only two pedals — accelerator and brake. By slackening off on the accelerator, he cuts down the flow of fuel and slows the turbines. — Associated Press.

### Easy sliding for bench-type front seats

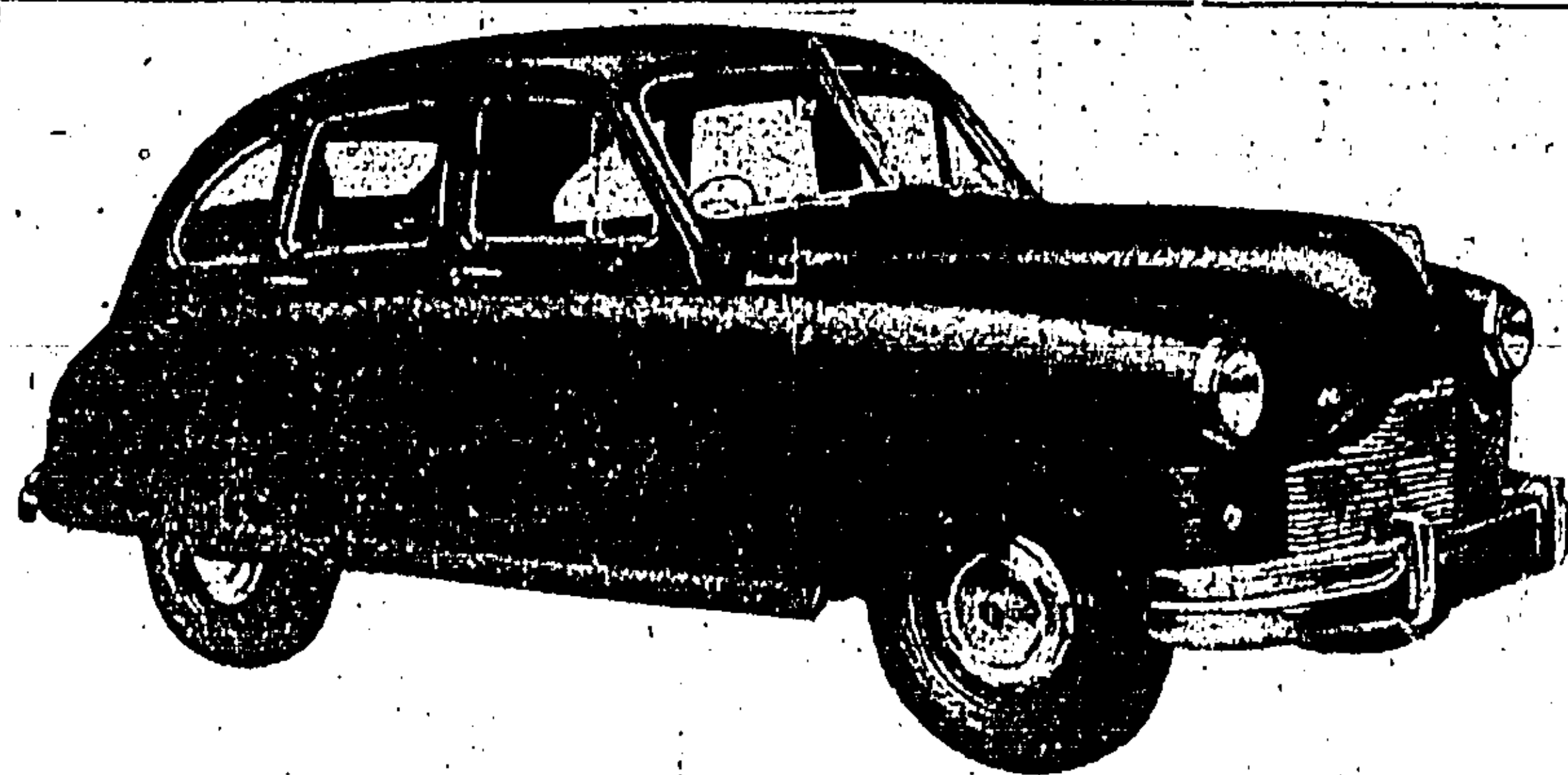
Now that the full-width bench front seat is in favour once more, the problem of making it slide easily for adjustment to the needs of different drivers requires attention.

In a recently introduced type of sliding runner for such seats, A. W. Chapman, Ltd. use the roller bearing principle in the form of multiple wheels mounted in the upper slides and running in an enclosed track. They give to the seats an almost friction-free sliding movement.

There is a lever-operated lock to secure the seat once it has been adjusted, and this is spring loaded and very positive and secure in its action. An anti-rattle device is incorporated in the roller assemblies.

There is a variety of applications of this Leveroll Mark 127 seat mechanism, as it is called, and one of them takes the form of a screw-gear winder for adjusting the seat. All permit complete removal of the seat. For bench-type seats, three sets of slides are used.

The mechanism is not available for direct sale to the motorist, but can be ordered through a garage with the reservation that fitting to existing seats may, in some cases, involve considerable rebuilding of the seat.



The Standard Vanguard

## Standard Vanguard features smooth, efficient engine

No car in recent years has aroused such keen interest as the motoring public has displayed in the Standard Vanguard.

To start with, the boldness of the makers' decision to adopt a one-model programme comprising only this car was intriguing.

The Vanguard is a British car that's different, besides being an entire departure for the Standard company.

Its "difference" lies in the provision of a generous engine size with moderate chassis dimensions — including a comparatively short wheelbase — and yet overall a sizable and impressive looking car, with seating cleverly contrived within these dimensions to give five- and six-seater accommodation at need.

Furthermore, the car represents excellent value for its size, style of finish and performance.

Everything about the design and the styling has been aimed at providing a car to compete directly with the American product by means of an appeal based upon modernity and a lively performance, in conjunction with a competitive price, yet at the same time keeping within reasonable bounds of petrol consumption and overall size. These are important points, especially for Hong Kong.

As a whole the Vanguard has a smooth and quiet running engine, and on a fairly high top gear ratio of 4.023 to 1 the ease of travel at speeds around 60 m.p.h. is highly commendable, this feature being apparent to an extent beyond what might be anticipated, while the ultimate speed available is again higher than might have been expected and well beyond normal requirements.

The top gear ratio which gives the notably easy fast running already mentioned does not, conversely, result in the car being quickly reduced in speed on main-road gradients. A real surge of acceleration is on tap, too, for overtaking or hill-climbing, when the throttle is opened at around 40 m.p.h. on top.

### Important points

These points are of special importance in view of the use of a three-speed gear box. Second is probably a rather lower ratio than third would be if a four-speed gear box were fitted, though for all practical purposes second takes the place of a third on the Vanguard, and the occasions for needing first gear, except for starting, would be few in any territory lacking fairly severe gradients.

The gear change, operated from the right of the steering column, moves easily. There is the important feature that synchromesh is applied to all three forward gears, thus robbing the change down to first of difficulties — the synchromesh is efficient and the gears themselves are quiet. It is easy enough to "find" gears, including first and reverse.

In matters such as driving position, braking, steering, and in fact control as a whole, this car allows one to feel at home quite quickly as a stranger to it.

In at least two respects its behaviour deserves special praise among modern cars with independent front suspension. The co-sprung front suspension is not abnormally soft and the steering is not specially low geared.

The result is that cornering does not have to be "learned" to the extent that is sometimes called for nowadays, and when enterprising driving methods are being used to make a journey in minimum time the Vanguard has much the feeling on corners, in a favourable sense, of a car with the old style of suspension.

### Comfort aspect

From the comfort aspect — the springing is most efficient, the riding being level and free from pitching, while really rough surfaces can be taken without shock being felt or the impression of the car's pitching.

One does not have to be watching the steering continually. Corners are taken on an accurate course without special concentration, and on the straight or on a gently bending road he needs to do little more than rest his hands on the wheel, the car virtually taking itself along without shocks being transmitted to the steering wheel. It is light but not vague-feeling steering, and remains sufficiently light for turning in a small compass to avoid being tiresome.

The Lockheed hydraulic brakes are of the two-leading shoe pattern in front; they do all that is wanted in a smooth fashion, that is, without grabbing at low speed or going on fiercely at high speed.

The hand-brake lever, under the fascia board, is fairly convenient and holds the car firmly.

A good driving position is obtained on the very wide one-piece front seat, instantly adjustable fore and aft by a winding handle at the centre. An average-height driver would like at times to see more of the near-side wing, or its modern equivalent, than is visible, but there is no sense of being boxed in or of vision being awkwardly restricted either ahead or to the sides.

It is equally easy for the driver to get in and out by either door. The left foot is comfortably placed when off the clutch pedal.

The head lamps provide a bright beam. The twin horns are operated conveniently by a ring and produce a strong note, while the wheel is comfortable to hold and unusual in its spoke arrangement, affording clear vision of the instruments which are immediately in front of the driver.


The instruments include an engine water thermometer as well as an oil pressure gauge and electric clock, but not an ammeter. An excellent feature, especially for overseas use, is a 15-gallon fuel tank, giving an operating range of well over 500 miles.

## Australian Motor show

The Motor Show of 1950 will open in Melbourne on April 27 and will continue for 10 days, closing on May 6.

The Executive Director of the Automotive Products Manufacturers' Association of Australia, 305 Elizabeth Street, Melbourne, advises that a feature of the Show this year will be a section devoted to automotive spare parts and accessories, a complete range of which will be exhibited. The majority of Australian manufacturers of these items will be exhibiting in this section.

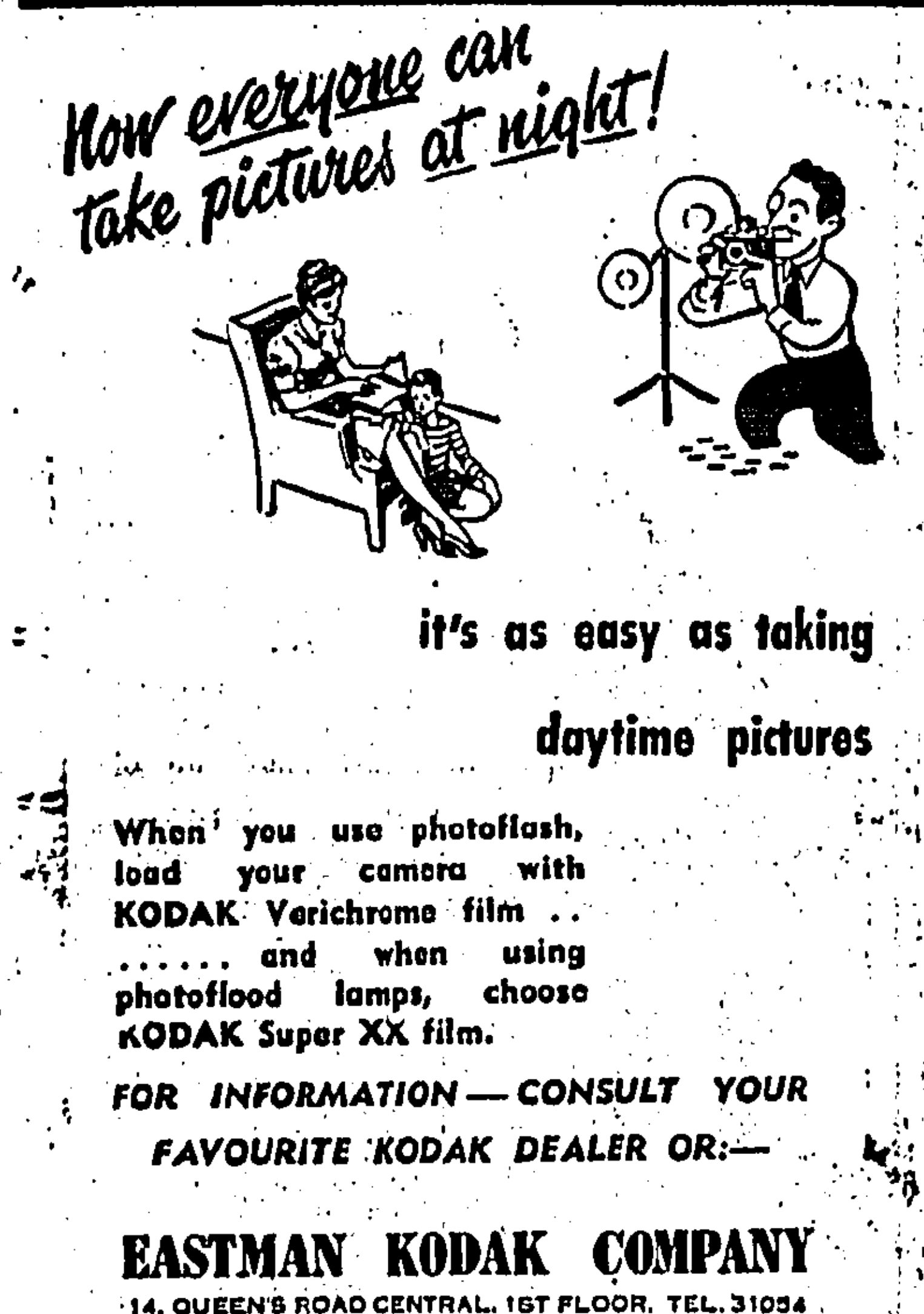
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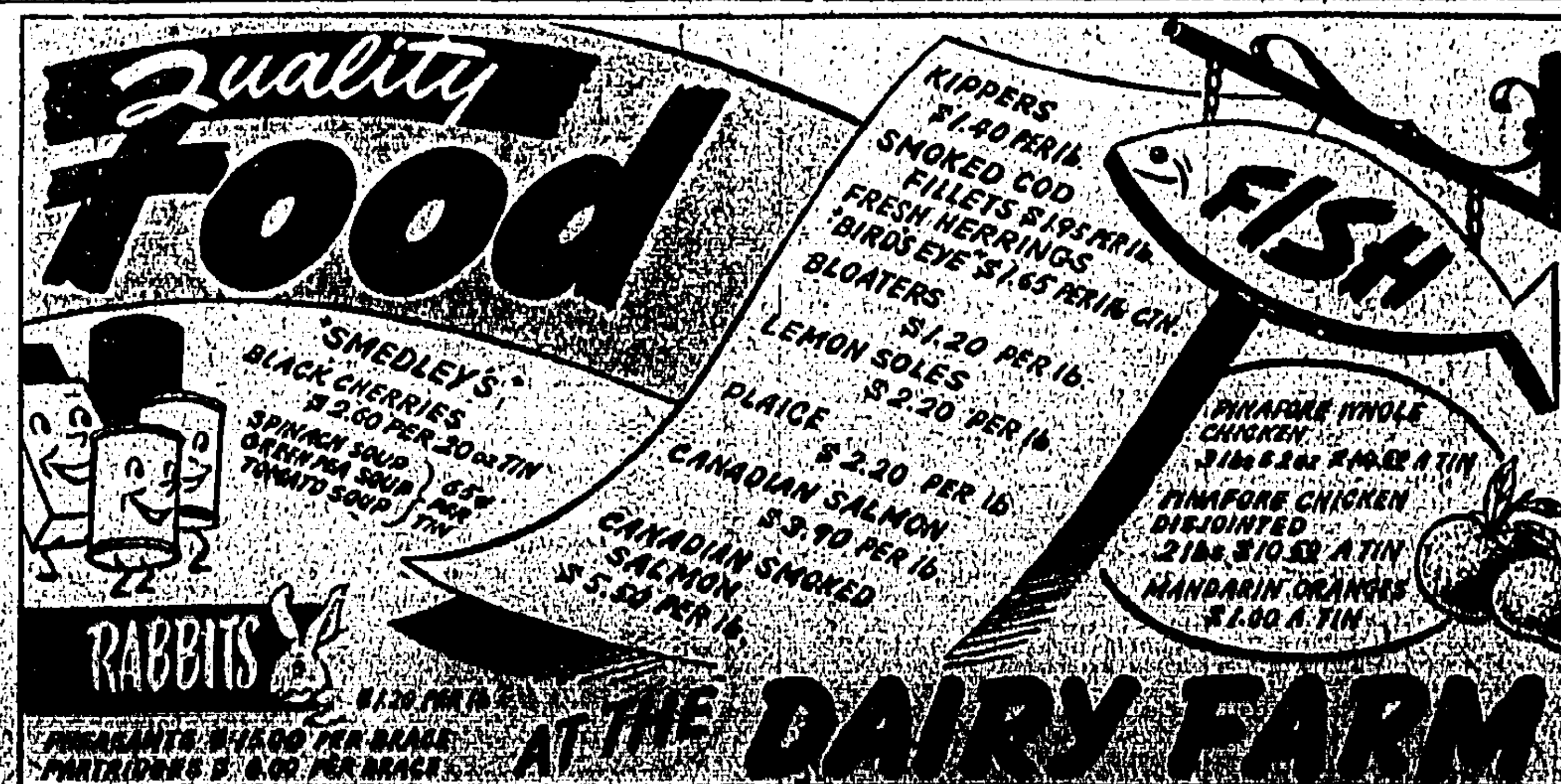
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# HONG KONG BANK MEETING

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## Trade agreement

"Industrial production, improved over 30% during 1949 and at the end of the year it was up to about 80% of the 1937/8 figure, although the rubber sector was still only 25% of that level."

"There were also a number of important financial developments, which particularly affected the foreign banks in Japan and which in one way or another proved to be more intricate than would seem likely to the uninitiated. These gave our Staff a harassing time. There was the long delayed Sterling Area Trade Agreement of November 22, the Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Control Law of December 1 and the discussions regarding the eventual issue of new Banking Licences which restored the pre-war status of foreign banks effective from January 1.

The Sterling Area Trade Agreement covered the year June 30 1949 to June 30 1950 and the delay in the final signature until November 22 means that 12 months' work has to be squeezed into a seven months' period which has given rise to some difficulties. Since November sterling area goods have been contracted for at a more rapid rate than licences have been issued to cover purchases of Japanese goods so that there have been complications in regard to the financing arrangements, which we and the other British banks have been undertaking to an extent which, in my view, goes much beyond what commercial banks should properly be expected to do. From the British point of view the importance is to ensure that no serious imbalance arises as was the case with the first trade agreement.

"The new bank licences replacing those obtained from SCAP were issued to the foreign banks by the Japanese Government on the pre-war basis and in accordance with the Japanese Banking Law of 1926. Eleven Japanese banks have now been designated as foreign exchange banks and these banks will, it is presumed, eventually be able to open branches overseas on a reciprocal basis.

"Since the beginning of 1950 the transfer of the control of the Japanese domestic economy from the Occupation authorities has gathered still more momentum particularly in the case of commercial procedure. It is clear that the United States Government are anxious to cut down the amount of their monetary aid with a view to allowing Japan to stand on her own financial feet as rapidly as possible.

## Malaya

"Let us now turn to Malaya where the Bank's interests are growing significantly. A very important statement was made in Parliament on April 13, 1949 when the Prime Minister replied to a question about the future of Malaya. Mr. Attlee then said:—

"His Majesty's Government have no intention of relinquishing their responsibilities in Malaya until their task is completed. The purpose of our policy is simple. We are working in co-operation with the citizens of the Federation of Malaya and Singapore, to guide them to responsible self-government within the Commonwealth. We have no intention of jeopardising the security, well-being and liberty of these people for whom Britain has responsibilities, by a premature withdrawal."

"This authoritative statement speaks for itself and there is no need to talk about time limits for the transfer of power. The eventual aim is clearly stated as 'responsible self-government within the Commonwealth'."

"Meantime the most prominent Malays and Chinese are working together with the representatives of other races in a Communities Liaison Committee to study the problems of Malaya and its constitution. The present lack of understanding about an area of interest in the democratic privileges to citizens has been shown in the fact that only 13,000 persons registered their names as voters in Singapore out of a population of 800,000 people.

"The state of emergency continued throughout the year and it is regrettable that the end is not yet in sight. We sincerely hope that an improvement will be seen this year. In a vigorous broadcast on January 6 Mr. Malcolm MacDonald emphasised that the terrorists in Malaya were hated throughout the country and whether they were Communists or not they could make no claim to represent the peoples of Malaya. It is clear that they are bandits and criminals of the worst type and must be eliminated at the earliest possible moment without slackening of effort.

## Living costs lower

"Fortunately the activity of the terrorists has not seriously affected the production of rubber, tin or any other industries, but it has retarded the rehabilitation of the country and has forced the Government to pursue some of its plans for 'progressive' development. However, it has been generally stated that the standard of living in the Federation will not be permitted to fall and that existing welfare services will not be reduced. A 'contrary' policy would, of course, be to let the higher prices obtained for rubber and tin since the devaluation of sterling, 'pass' somewhat to the Federation but the key to the emergency which it is feared may persist for 12-18 months is the fact that the Government will be unable to do so.

mented by a further grant in the second half of the year.

"On the other hand the financial position of the Colony of Malaya appears to be satisfactory and there has been no disturbance of law and order there. Both in Singapore and in the Federation labour conditions have been quiet and full employment has continued. Wages have been stable and the cost of living has continued on a downward trend, so far as any rate as Asiatic standards are concerned.

The 3% Loan of £8 millions floated at par for the Federal Government in London last May was fortuitously timed for the Government, as soon afterwards an upward trend in interest rates started. The Loan now stands at a considerable discount in the London market. There is an acute need of investment capital in Malaya as in many countries in Asia and present conditions are not conducive to rapid progress in the many development projects which the country needs.

"Last May the welcome announcement was made in Parliament that in view of the increased burdens which Malaya had to bear since 1948 His Majesty's Government had decided to raise to £20 millions the free grant of £10 millions already promised for the War Damage Compensation Scheme as well as to provide an interest-free loan of up to £100 millions. The British Legislature have now passed the relevant Ordinances but a final settlement of claims will take a long time.

"Much interest was aroused in Malaya and particularly in circles concerned with the rubber and tin industries when one of the ten points which were the subject of the official communiqué issued on September 12 at the end of the important Washington Financial discussions, dealt with rubber and tin. It stated that Canada was prepared to take steps to increase its reserves of these commodities and that the United States was prepared to open to natural rubber a substantial additional area of competition, including modification of the Government order relating to consumption of synthetic rubber and would also review its stockpiling programme with particular reference to tin and rubber. The devaluation of sterling which came soon after this announcement brought about a rise in the price of rubber which had touched a low point of 31 Malayan cents a pound in June. At the end of the year the price was 50 1/2 cents. It must be presumed that the price will be gradually implemented but the synthetic menace has not been eliminated and much depends on the price of natural rubber remaining below that of synthetic in the New York market.

## Tin output

"Recently the question of improving the quality of natural rubber, its packing and its grading has been under serious consideration as a means whereby it would be in a stronger position to compete with synthetic rubber. Research is actively proceeding and hopes are high that considerable progress in producing a better grade of rubber can be made. It is noteworthy that Russian purchases of rubber have been estimated to have been over 100,000 tons for the second year in succession.

"Tin production in Malaya again showed a considerable improvement during the year and reached 53,449 tons—a 24% increase over 1948 which in turn was above 1947. Malaya produces over one third of the world production and fears are being expressed lest the growing excess production over commercial consumption may have serious repercussions if steps are not taken in advance to meet the demand. The reopening of the London Metal Exchange on November 15th was welcomed by both producers and consumers.

"The importance of expanding Malaya's secondary industries has repeatedly been emphasised and it is satisfactory to note that progress was made last year in the production of vegetable oils. Rice production remains at only 35 per cent of the consumption needs but the Government was nevertheless able to increase the ration and to reduce the price during the year. By means of improved irrigation the production of rice can be considerably increased but progress is not likely to be rapid.

"The foreign trade of Malaya in 1949 showed an adverse balance of a little over Malayan \$162 millions as compared with \$91 millions in 1948. However, in December there was an export surplus of some \$34 millions and the higher price of rubber added to the strict control over imports of hard currency goods should bring about an improvement in the balance of trade in 1950. Malaya is able to pay herself on the fact that in 1948 she earned more United States dollars for the Commonwealth than the United Kingdom did and the same situation probably existed in 1949.

## North Borneo

"Although some progress has been claimed for the Colony of North Borneo there is so much to be done that few can be satisfied with what has been achieved. It is true that a fair amount of legislation has been enacted and more is on the stocks but that is not a measure of achievement in the practical field. The Reconstruction and Development Plan, which has been approved by the Commonwealth Council, will be used to guide the development of the Colony. It is a long and arduous task but it is one which must be tackled if the Colony is to be able to stand on its own feet.

only about \$6 millions have been expended on public works in the last two years. As regards industrial activity, copper and timber exports have improved but rubber production decreased. Hopes of the re-establishment of the former Japanese home estates have not yet been realised. It is claimed that the Colony may before long be self-supporting in rice but in 1949 the value of rice imports was higher than in 1948. I trust that the present year will see some real headway.

## Brunei State

"By way of contrast to the disappointing picture in North Borneo, Brunei State is in a prosperous condition, thanks to the oil wells which are producing at the rate of about 9,000 metric tons a day. Royalties on oil provide the chief revenue of the Government and enable the State's finances to be in a satisfactory condition.

## India

"A very great deal might be said about political and economic conditions in India as developments of much importance and absorbing interest are taking place in that great country, but I must leave detailed comment to others. Our direct interests are confined to Calcutta and Bombay where I am glad to say our offices are steadily progressing.

"India's main problem is that of her relations with Pakistan: next perhaps is that of producing more food so as to cut down imports of foodstuffs, and after that I would place the need for a favourable external balance of payments and the attraction of foreign capital."

"The first of these problems is unfortunately still not on the way to solution military expenditures are as a result, being maintained at a high level. But top priority is being given to the production of food grains within the country. Steps have been taken to restrict imports while the devaluation of the rupee in line with the pound sterling gave a considerable fillip to exports. Satisfactory development of trade has been effected as a result of bilateral trade and barter agreements with other countries, in which respect India has been particularly active. Several important statements welcoming the importation of foreign capital and giving assurances as to its treatment have been issued both by the Minister of Finance and by Pandit Nehru; as a result a number of British manufacturing concerns are taking steps to establish factories in India. Moreover, the International Bank has during the year granted some timely loans to India for railway and agricultural development. All things considered there would be good grounds for optimism were it not for the Pakistan dispute.

## Pakistan

"The same applies in reverse to Pakistan: there have no doubt been considerable amounts of business through our correspondents there. The general economic outlook is satisfactory, the foreign trade balance is favourable and the financial position is sound but the dispute with India casts a shadow over the scene.

## Ceylon

"Ceylon has been fortunate in being able to pursue the even tenor of its way throughout 1949 with hardly a ripple except perhaps when the Commonwealth Conference met in December. However the Dominion established a new currency of its own in September equivalent to 2.88 grains of gold and a Monetary Law Act has been passed which contains provisions for the establishment of a Monetary Board and Central Bank in Ceylon at an early date. In February 1949 a 2 1/2 per cent loan for Rs. 61 1/2 millions was successfully floated. The greater part of the loan is to be used to carry through the Government's industrial development plan including particularly projects to increase production which is so vitally important to a country which relies on imports for about half of its requirements of foodstuffs.

## Burma

"The continued disturbed condition of Burma is disheartening to merchants, bankers and all friends of the country and it is difficult to understand why the Burmese and Karens cannot be persuaded to settle their differences around a conference table with the help of a mediator from Britain or the United Nations. Recent reports give a slightly more optimistic view of the civil conflict and one cheerful thing is that rice shipments have been reasonably well maintained. Exports of about 1 1/2 million tons were realised in 1949 which was more than was at one time expected. For the current year the figures will probably be only around 700,000 tons; as the planned rice area has been considerably reduced. This is a serious situation for the Government, as the pre-war average exports were over 2,000,000 tons. During the year the Burmese Parliament has reversed its original policy and made an important decision in regard to the investment of foreign capital in Burma, whereby a large number of industries are now thrown open to foreign ownership under certain reasonable conditions. But the state of affairs in Burma is not yet stable enough to encourage new private capital and the Commonwealth Council, which has been moved to Colombo, Ceylon, will be asked to consider the situation in Burma and to advise the Government on the best way to deal with it.

## Indo-China

"Political developments in Indo-China seem likely to be of pivotal importance to South East Asia throughout the coming years and should be watched with close attention. It is not at all clear that plans for general restoration and re-equipment of industrial undertakings will have to take second place until peace and order have been more fully restored. The trade returns show some improvement in export values in 1949 but rice exports are still nearly a million tons less than the pre-war average while coal exports remain at a low level. There is great wealth in this country which awaits development and utilisation.

## Thailand

"Thailand has again had a quiet and prosperous year. There is however an undercurrent of nervousness in regard to possible political developments and labour is inclined to be restive. Co-operation with Malaya has been achieved in regard to anti-Communist measures on the border but I wish to emphasise how important it is that action should be taken on a broader foundation to ensure that Thailand's stability is protected against any wide-spread menace. The world-wide tendency to direct trade from normal channels into official and semi-official concepts has I am afraid taken root in Thailand and naturally merchant opposition has been aroused.

"One of the outstanding events of the year in the business field was the change in the rate of exchange following the devaluation of sterling. It was hoped that as 80 per cent of Thailand's trade is with the sterling area, including especially most of the exports of rice, tin and rubber, the rate would keep in line with sterling as was desirable. However other counsels prevailed and a compromise was adopted by which the sterling rate was lowered from Ticals 40 to 35 per pound sterling while the United States dollar rate was raised from Ticals 10 to 12 1/2 per dollar. Apparently the able Minister of Finance, Prince Vivat, resigned in opposition to this decision.

"Trade in the main commodities of the country has again been satisfactory. Rice exports over 1,200,000 tons. Rubber exports were about 90,000 tons and as this figure is 50,000 tons more than local production it was seen that rubber from outside the country has been sold through Bangkok. With reduced supplies available from Burma exports of teak from Siam have improved by nearly 20%. A new barter agreement with Japan came into force on January 1st providing for two-way trade amounting to U.S. \$90 millions. The previous agreement which failed to be fully implemented provided for shipment of a considerable amount of Japanese railway equipment to Thailand and more is expected under the new agreement. During the past year Thailand became a member of the International Monetary Fund and being now eligible for a loan from the International Bank, a Mission from the latter has been visiting Bangkok.

## Philippine Islands

"The year 1949 was election year in the Philippine Islands and in November President Quirino was re-elected for a term of four years. Although the Huk-balahaps continue to cause trouble in Central Luzon the country as a whole has not been seriously affected. Unfortunately genuine economic progress has not been as great as was hoped and the large rehabilitation payments made by the United States Government have not effectively enabled the restoration of the pre-war position in manufacturing industries, power plants and agricultural output which suffered so disastrously in the course of the war.

"With the knowledge that between 1950 and 1952 the American aid programme will gradually come to an end the Government of the Philippines have been aware of the need to cut down the large excess of imports which was nearly P. 500 millions both in 1947 and 1948 and which may prove to have been not much less in 1949 when the figures are published. It was clear that drastic measures were needed as a large part of the imports consisted of luxury and consumption goods not the much-needed capital goods. But the first import control measures were inadequate so the Government were forced to take more vigorous steps towards the end of 1949 when new legislation imposed a severe cut on luxury goods and on a wide range of non-essential articles. Exchange control regulations were also introduced on December 1st and in this respect it is said to work that the Philippines have at length been forced to follow all the other countries of South East Asia.

"The trade figures of the Islands show that although imports decreased in volume and value in the first half of 1949 compared with 1948, exports decreased still more in value owing to price declines and in spite of their volume being more than maintained. As compared with the pre-war position production and export of some of the most important commodities such as sugar, hemp, tobacco and lumber are still low and need for progress is obvious. However plans for the expansion of agricultural production and for increased industrial development have been drawn up and it is hoped that these will be put into effect in 1950.

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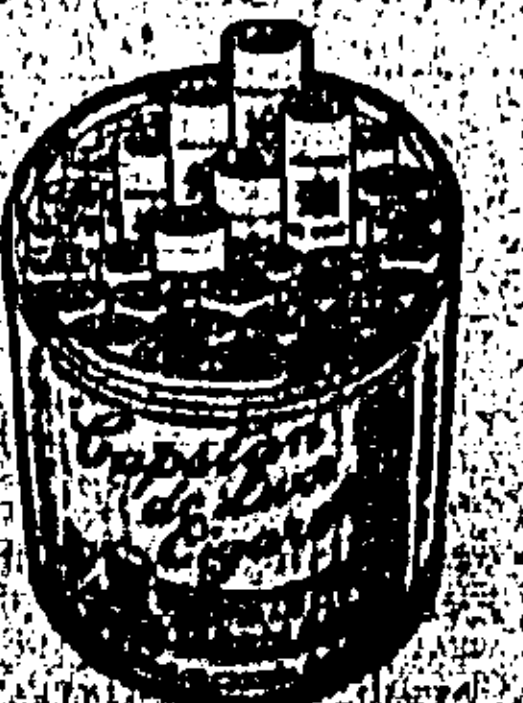
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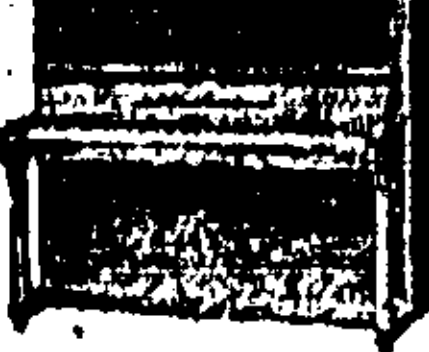


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## HK BANK MEETING

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Point was also largely directed  
towards these areas. If therefore  
the United Nations, with the  
active help of the Commonwealth  
and the United States, apply  
their combined knowledge and  
resources to the task, the coun-  
tries and peoples needing econo-  
mic betterment will not have to  
wait in vain and the breeding  
grounds of discontent and revolu-  
tion will be steadily eliminated.

**Mr. Ruttonjoe's speech**  
Mr. J. H. Ruttonjoe, in second-  
ing the Chairman's speech, said  
they could not but be disturbed  
by the inevitable repercussions  
that have arisen, and must con-  
tinue to arise, from the vast  
political and economic changes  
that have occurred in China, and  
by the threatened developments  
of present upheavals in the coun-  
tries of South East Asia.

"China is particularly Hong  
Kong's market," he said, "and  
this Colony's future as an empor-  
ium of commerce is essentially  
bound up with our great neigh-  
bour."

"The pattern of China's future  
trade policy is still unpredictable,  
but trade relations since the  
establishment of the new Chinese  
Government, especially since the  
beginning of this year, give every  
reason to hope that Hong Kong  
will continue to operate as a vast  
and conveniently situated entre-  
pot for China's overseas trade."

Mr. Ruttonjoe said there could  
be no enduring peace while utter  
poverty and want prevail over  
so many large areas of Asia, pro-  
viding a ready breeding ground  
for discontent and revolution. It  
was to be hoped that the United  
Nations, with the active co-  
operation of the United States  
and the British Commonwealth,  
would hasten to take the urgent  
remedial measures that are neces-  
sary to improve the economic  
conditions of those countries and  
thereby raise the living standards  
of their peoples.

The retiring Directors, Messrs.  
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Johannessen, seconded by Colonel  
J. D. Clague, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham  
and Matthews and Messrs.  
Frost, Marwick and Mitchell were  
re-elected Auditors.

## PRESS COUNCIL FOR BRITAIN?

London, March 9.

Press owners have received  
a proposal for forming a Press  
Council in Britain, and are now  
studying it, the Deputy Pre-  
mier, Mr. Herbert Morrison,  
told the House of Commons  
today.

In a written reply to a question,  
Mr. Morrison said that both the  
Newspaper Proprietors' Associa-  
tion and the Newspaper Society  
are now examining the draft pro-  
posal.

The Royal Commission on the  
Press, in its report last June, pro-  
posed that a General Council of  
the Press should be voluntarily  
created as a central body to  
safeguard and foster integrity  
and responsibility of the Press  
towards the general public.

The Council was to consist of  
newspaper owners, editors, other  
journalists and lay members.

The two journalist members of  
the Commission, Sir George  
Waters and Mr. A.G.K. Fens-  
worth, were against including laymen.

## New Dominion in West Indies?

London, March 9.

A Colonial Office report fore-  
sees the eventual creation of a  
new Dominion in the West  
Indies.

The report, made by the Stand-  
ing Close Association Committee  
of the British Caribbean, recom-  
mended the linking of all West  
Indian colonies in a "British  
Caribbean Federation."

The Federation, comprising  
Barbados, British Guiana, British  
Honduras, Jamaica, Antigua, St.  
Kitts-Nevis, Montserrat, Trinidad,  
Grenada, St. Vincent, St. Lucia  
and Dominica, is seen as the  
shortest path towards real politi-  
cal independence for the British  
peoples of the region within the  
framework of the British Com-  
monwealth—what is meant, in  
fact, by "Dominion status".

The Committee suggested  
Trinidad as the capital with a  
Federal Legislature, consisting of  
a Governor-General, a Senate  
and a House of Assembly.—Reu-  
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## Doctors may go on strike

London, March 9.

Doctors in the London  
suburb of Harrow have  
threatened to go on strike  
against the National Health  
Scheme unless they get more  
money per patient by next  
July.

The British Medical Jour-  
nal reports that a big major-  
ity of the Harrow doctors  
decided to withhold their ser-  
vices from National Health  
Scheme patients except in  
urgent medical need, unless  
the Health Minister, Mr.  
Aneurin Bevan, grants their  
demand.—Reuter.

## ATTLEE "NO" TO DEATH PENALTY

London, March 9.

The Prime Minister, Mr.  
Clement Attlee, tonight refused  
to introduce the death penalty as  
a punishment for certain in-  
fringements of the Official Secre-  
ts Act.

Sir Waldron Smithers, Con-  
servative, had urged this in the  
House of Commons in view of  
the revelations made at the trial  
of the atom spy, Dr. Klaus Fuchs.

In a written reply Mr. Attlee  
said, briefly, "No".

Earlier, the Home Secretary,  
Mr. James Chuter Ede, told  
Parliament that in spite of the  
Fuchs case, Britain does not in-  
tend to close her doors to political  
refugees.—Reuter.

## BRITAIN BRINGING NAVY UP TO DATE

London, March 9.

Britain is to devote millions more sterling in the  
coming year to modernise her naval fight-  
ing equipment and developing counter-meas-  
ures against high speed jet aircraft, high  
speed missiles and submarine warfare.

The Naval Estimates, published today, show that  
production and research this coming year will  
cost nearly £73,000,000, £10,000,000 more  
than the last year.

The total estimate for the  
entire naval service is raised  
by £3,750,000 to £193,000,000  
for the year 1950-51.

An Admiralty statement issued  
with the Estimates said, "The  
natural consequences of the pro-  
bability of faster air attack are  
requirements for, among other  
things, guided weapons, increased  
range and speed of radar warn-  
ing, predictors of much higher  
performance, improvements in  
the rate of fire of anti-aircraft  
guns and proximity fuses."

In addition the performance  
of our carrier-borne fighters must  
be increased and this involves  
the introduction of jet fighters  
with consequent changes in land-  
ing and handling techniques."

For the greater underwater  
threat of the future, the state-  
ment said, fast submarines cap-  
able of meeting an enemy on  
terms at least as equal as are  
needed. There must also be in-  
creased ranges of underwater  
detection new ahead thrown

weapons and homing torpedoes.  
Research will be continued in  
protective measures for men  
against harmful radiations re-  
leased by atomic weapons, the  
statement declared.

### Manpower down

Lord Hall, First Lord of the  
Admiralty, introducing the  
Estimates, explained that man-  
power strength would drop  
while protection and research  
increased.

In the coming year British  
naval manpower would fall from  
140,000 to 127,500 compared with  
144,500 in the Service on April 1  
last year.

The Admiralty statement showed  
that Britain's active fleet was  
headed by a fleet carrier and  
four light fleet carriers with 14  
cruisers, 34 destroyers, and 32  
submarines.

The latest battleship, HMS  
Vanguard, is being used for train-  
ing with two other fleet carriers.

Four wartime battleships of  
the Duke of York class and three  
fleet carriers are held in reserve  
together with a large number of  
smaller ships.

### Commitments in Far East

An Admiralty statement accom-  
panying the Estimates said that  
special naval measures taken to  
meet the crisis in the Far East  
have increased the Royal Navy's  
financial commitments, and the  
dispositions of its Far Eastern  
fleet had been almost entirely  
governed by events in China.

The closure of certain ports and  
territorial waters by the Chinese  
Nationalists had imposed an oner-  
ous task on vessels of the Far  
Eastern Fleet, the statement said.  
It added that recognition of the  
Central People's Government of  
China has not brought any res-  
pite to British warships on patrol  
which must be ready to afford as-  
sistance to merchant ships in  
that area.—Reuter.

### CREDIT RENEWED

London, March 9.

Private banks in the City of  
London today renewed for the  
fourth time a post-war credit to  
the Austrian textile industry and  
increased the limit from  
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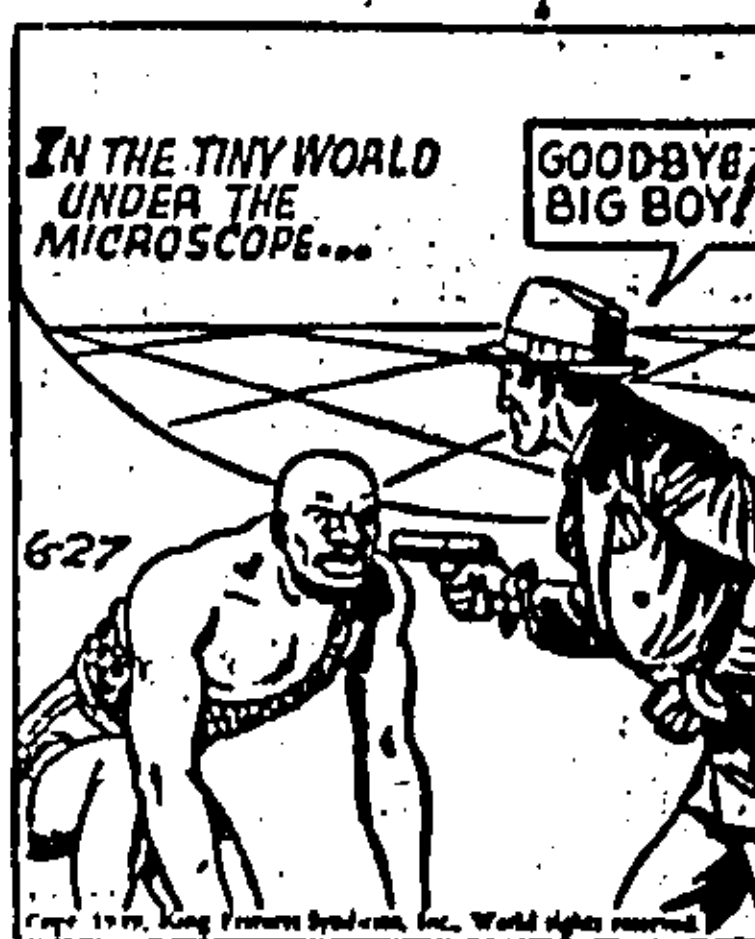
The increase, which is for wool  
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of the Austrian textile industry.  
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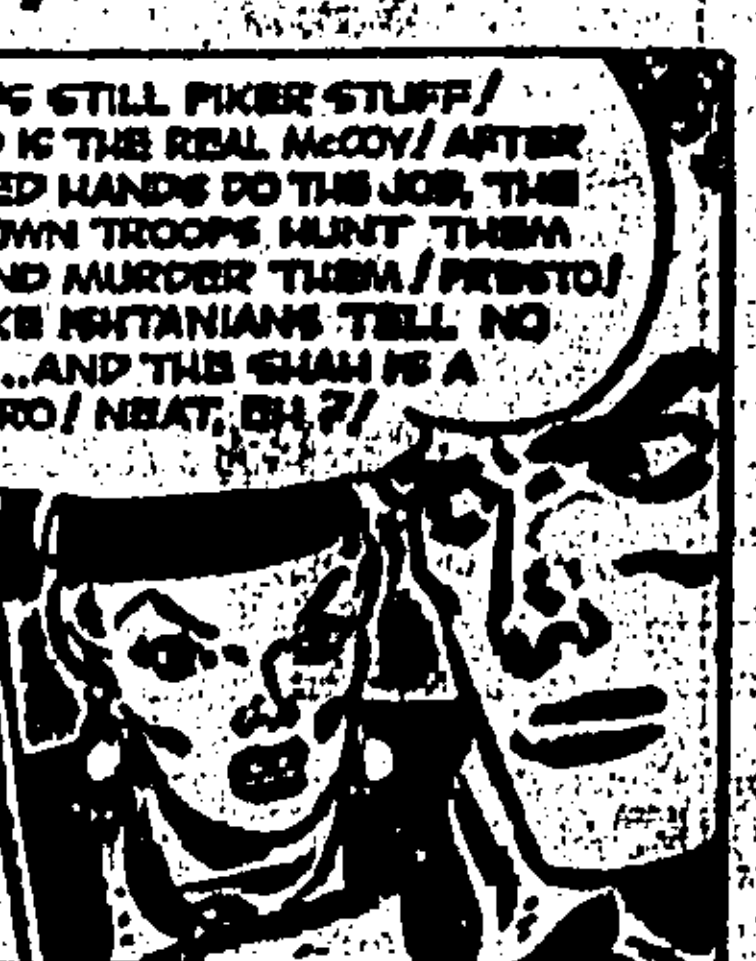
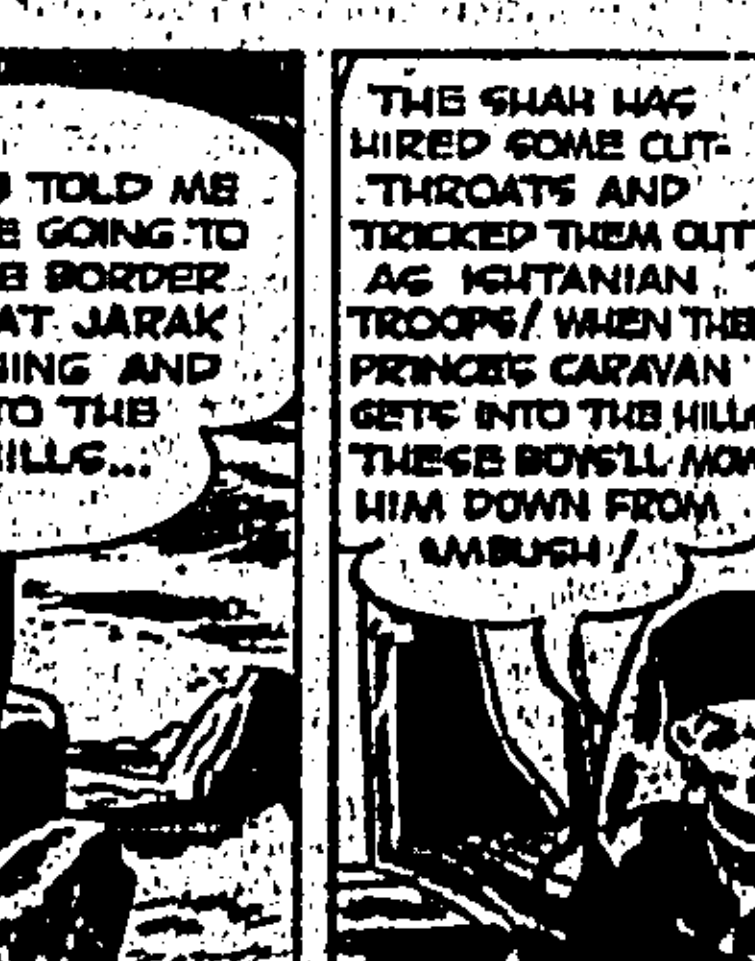
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## Dr. Sander found not guilty

Manchester, New Hampshire, March 9.

Dr. Hermann Sander was acquitted here tonight after trial for the "mercy killing" of a woman cancer patient.

Dr. Sander, a 41-year-old country doctor, was found not guilty of first degree murder by an all-male jury.

The trial had centred on whether air pumped into the veins of 59-year-old Mrs. Abbie Borroto caused her death or whether she was already dead from the cancer scourge with which she was ridden.

The prosecution had demanded his conviction for taking the law into his own hands in the death of the cancer-ridden patient.

The jury retired tonight after hearing the Judge say it would be unusual indeed if they recommended capital punishment.

Mr. Louis Wyman, Counsel for Dr. Sander, had earlier claimed that Mrs. Borroto died of her illness. The Prosecutor in his closing address, did not press for the death penalty.

The defence lawyer appeared on the verge of tears as he asked the Jury to send Dr. Sander back to his family and community.

"The soul had left the body of Mrs. Borroto before his 'irrational act' in injecting air into her veins," he cried.

The Jury, composed of nine Catholics and three Protestants, took less than 75 minutes to reach their verdict.

Dr. Sander showed not the slightest trace of emotion as the words "Not Guilty" echoed through the small courtroom.

Reuter.

It was most thoughtless and selfish of us. We should have thought of others as well as ourselves; we should have considered our vast power and standing in the world.

This American distress surpluses me. Last month I was a case of "once a Great Britain, the 'former' British Empire, and now we turn out to be greater than before, more needed, more sought after in the imperative present than ever.

Even the stunning blow to Britain's Socialist does not console the apprehensive Americans. They are glad Mr. Churchill's Conservatives made a spectacular come-back; but what they want most is a British Government, whatever its political colouring, that can play the part of equal partner with the United States.

No one is talking about us being junior any more.

We are needed

We are not remittance men, panhandlers, paupers or impoverished relatives now. We are needed—and therefore we are wonderful.

I find this atmosphere a welcome change. Despite the confusion and perplexity produced by Mr. Attlee's eyelash victory, British prestige has gone up impressively.

There are tributes to the tremendous turn-out of voters as compared to the customary showing of only 50 per cent here, and also praise for "this most striking example of democracy at work."

This is heady stuff after the long diet of criticism. I hardly dare think of the feast that will be served us if and when Mr. Churchill returns to power.

The menu is obviously being prepared for hardly anyone here gives the Labour Government more than a few months in office, and there is the most confident assumption that the Conservatives will then romp home.

Perhaps because Britain is committed temporarily to a precarious Government, the preparations against panic have been speeded up.

Junior is a grown-up now. We are being told where to go and what to do if atomic attack comes: what would happen and what would not happen.

An underground capital is being urged by some politicians. I have an eye on a hole in Central Park. Not a bad place, but there's only room for one. It is a neat little hideaway that my dog nosed out when we were walking the other day. I don't think anyone else has spotted it.

Anyway, I stake my claim for it. Other bomb-proof burrows are undoubtedly available for the diligent and deserving.

What puzzles me is that no one in Britain seems to be heading for heaven. The recurrent crop of British visitors in is town and they all say they are flabbergasted at the furry here.

Apparently there is little or no war talk in Britain, no plans for a quick getaway into holes in the earth.

Either British reactions are slower on British nerves, or steadier. Personally, I hope that all this hubbub about bombs and banes will soon die down and we can get down to financial matters.

Through some oversight the results of the devaluation of the pound sterling got overlooked in the election campaign. It may be a secret in Britain, but it is placard-plain here—devaluation is proving a big failure.

We are making fewer dollars than before the pound was devalued. Messrs. Dean Acheson, Secretary of State and Paul Hoffman, head of the E.C.A., are very well aware of this, and are already planning new moves to solve the dollar famine.

You can expect an inspired drive against the dollar famine. Government-expressed willingness to welcome competitive imports.

Perhaps this is Sir Stafford Cripps' last chance—anyway it is here to be grasped and even his critics hope he doesn't fumble it.

At the moment in the United States there are 4,500,000 unemployed—the highest number since the war. In New York alone there are 400,000 unemployed and 800,000 of them are on city relief.

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3.00—Morning News.

## DON IDDON'S DIARY

### Junior is a grown-up now

The Republic is still restive two weeks after the British election. I did not expect to see so much hand-wringing among Americans over the photo-finish at the polls.

Yet almost everyone is twisting himself as if he were practicing Yoga—and the theme song is the blues.

It is now quite plain that the United States is perturbed about a divided Britain; it seems lost, forlorn, and even unstable. If there were any doubt about the importance and influence of the British, the reaction here to a caretaker Government in Westminster should dispel it.

Now that the final results are in and a Government without muscles moved into Whitehall, Americans pace their rooms and say: "What about us? what's going to happen to us?"

There is some petulance that British voters did not make a definite decision and return a Government with a substantial majority.

It was most thoughtless and selfish of us. We should have thought of others as well as ourselves; we should have considered our vast power and standing in the world.

This American distress surpluses me. Last month I was a case of "once a Great Britain, the 'former' British Empire, and now we turn out to be greater than before, more needed, more sought after in the imperative present than ever.

Even the stunning blow to Britain's Socialist does not console the apprehensive Americans. They are glad Mr. Churchill's Conservatives made a spectacular come-back; but what they want most is a British Government, whatever its political colouring, that can play the part of equal partner with the United States.

No one is talking about us being junior any more.

We are needed

We are not remittance men, panhandlers, paupers or impoverished relatives now. We are needed—and therefore we are wonderful.

I find this atmosphere a welcome change. Despite the confusion and perplexity produced by Mr. Attlee's eyelash victory, British prestige has gone up impressively.

There are tributes to the tremendous turn-out of voters as compared to the customary showing of only 50 per cent here, and also praise for "this most striking example of democracy at work."

This is heady stuff after the long diet of criticism. I hardly dare think of the feast that will be served us if and when Mr. Churchill returns to power.

The menu is obviously being prepared for hardly anyone here gives the Labour Government more than a few months in office, and there is the most confident assumption that the Conservatives will then romp home.

Perhaps because Britain is committed temporarily to a precarious Government, the preparations against panic have been speeded up.

Junior is a grown-up now. We are being told where to go and what to do if atomic attack comes: what would happen and what would not happen.

An underground capital is being urged by some politicians. I have an eye on a hole in Central Park. Not a bad place, but there's only room for one. It is a neat little hideaway that my dog nosed out when we were walking the other day. I don't think anyone else has spotted it.

Anyway, I stake my claim for it. Other bomb-proof burrows are undoubtedly available for the diligent and deserving.

What puzzles me is that no one in Britain seems to be heading for heaven. The recurrent crop of British visitors in is town and they all say they are flabbergasted at the furry here.

Apparently there is little or no war talk in Britain, no plans for a quick getaway into holes in the earth.

Either British reactions are slower on British nerves, or steadier. Personally, I hope that all this hubbub about bombs and banes will soon die down and we can get down to financial matters.

Through some oversight the results of the devaluation of the pound sterling got overlooked in the election campaign. It may be a secret in Britain, but it is placard-plain here—devaluation is proving a big failure.

We are making fewer dollars than before the pound was devalued. Messrs. Dean Acheson, Secretary of State and Paul Hoffman, head of the E.C.A., are very well aware of this, and are already planning new moves to solve the dollar famine.

You can expect an inspired drive against the dollar famine. Government-expressed willingness to welcome competitive imports.

Perhaps this is Sir Stafford Cripps' last chance—anyway it is here to be grasped and even his critics hope he doesn't fumble it.

At the moment in the United States there are 4,500,000 unemployed—the highest number since the war. In New York alone there are 400,000 unemployed and 800,000 of them are on city relief.

Rediffusion

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The isolationists naturally are shouting: "Let's take care of our own first," and the public clamour could be insistent.

To help Europe

Yet Mr. Acheson and Mr. Hoffman press their plans for further financing of Europe. I hope Europeans are grateful.

Broadway is still browned-out and browned-off. It is likely to remain that way for some time. The fuel shortage remains critical.

Audiences have been most excited by newsreels of the election. Churchill stimulates the people to cheers, Attlee is received in silence and occasionally with scattered boos and hoots.

Biggest hit in "entertainment" just now is Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt on television. People say: "There goes the television star—Mrs. Roosevelt." Her television tea-parties have brought new dimensions to "video."

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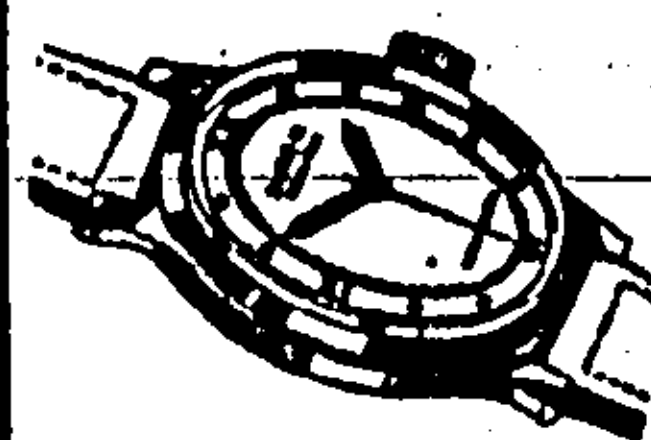












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Sports Pause



## Third Race Meeting:

# CUSTOMS PASS HANDICAP MAIN EVENT OF THE DAY

(By "Rapiers")

The Third Race Meeting under the auspices of the Hong Kong Jockey Club will be held this afternoon and, given fine weather, should attract another large crowd of racing fans. The first Saddling Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. with the first race starting at 2.00 p.m. sharp. Another 10 events will be down for decision, the most important of which will be the Customs Pass Handicap, a handicap event for Class 1B Australian Ponies of previous seasons.

This is the fourth race on the programme (and it will be contested from the one and a half mile post).  
Followers of Mr. Rindrew will regret to learn that he will not be in the saddle this afternoon, as he has left for Japan.  
Mr. Fonseca, a Novice rider who has not been in action for quite some time owing to pressure of work in the office, will be riding again today.  
Messrs. T. L. Wong and C. K. Shu, well known jockeys of Shanghai, will probably be riding this afternoon, as they have been seen at the course during the last few mornings.

Race No. 1—Magazine Gap Handicap (First Section): Six furlongs.  
The day's programme will open with a sprint race for Novice jockeys, who will be given mounts on Australian Ponies of previous seasons classified Class 6.

Honey Dew (Mr. Tseng), came in second to Treasurer in the Jockey Club Handicap (Third Section) over the mile on the third day of the Carnival with Mr. Noodi up, and on that performance should have a good chance of winning.

As far as I can see, its only real danger will come from Top Hat (Mr. Auchincloss), which is running well at the moment.

Constant Star (Mr. Thomas), was a disappointment at the last meeting, but may redeem itself this afternoon over this distance.

Argus (Mr. Dau) and Sunkiss (Mr. Lam King-tak), are another two ponies which can be relied on to do well here.

Race No. 2—Windy Gap Handicap (First Section): One mile.  
This race will be contested by First Section Australian Ponies of previous season classified Class 7.

Yuen (Mr. Tao), which won the Tulyan Bay Handicap (Third Section) at the first Race Meeting over six furlongs for Class 8 Australian Ponies, has the best recommendation for a win here.

I expect it to receive stiff opposition from Peacock (Mr. Holgate), which was second in the Hong Kong Handicap (Second Section), with Mr. Noodi up at the Annual Race Meeting.

Good Day (Mr. F. Chiu), is also a danger here as it is quite capable of extending the field.

Flight will be piloted by Mr. Lam King-tak and, for those who prefer an outsider, this combination is worth following.

Race No. 3—Pottinger Gap Handicap (First Section): 1 1/4 miles.  
In this race for the First Section of Australian Ponies of previous season classified Class 4, Atomic Power (Mr. Pih), Shun Fung (Mr. Kwok) and Thunderbolt (Mr. Pote-Hunt), have been given top weight of 135 lbs and on that account I am going to rule them out of my reckoning.

In view of its second placing behind Meteorologist in the Scurry Handicap (Second Section) over six furlongs at the Annual Race Meeting, Possibility (Mr. K. F. Chiu), has to carry 8 lbs more (i.e. 143 lbs). I don't think the extra weight will be a hindrance enough to hamper its chance of winning.

Rowanglen (Mr. Ostroumoff) and Autumn Leaf (Mr. Tao), should also receive consideration, especially the latter, which has won a race at the last meeting for Class 4 Australian Ponies.

It is exceptionally fit at the moment and I think it is quite possible it may cause an upset.

Ringmer (Mr. Noodi), on account of its low weight of 135 lbs should be worth a bet each way.

Race No. 4—Customs Pass Handicap (First Section): 1 1/4 miles.  
This race for Class 1B Australian Ponies of previous seasons may be regarded as the outstanding event of the day and will be contested at a very fast pace, with every prospect of a grand finish.

As a result of its win in the Scurry Handicap over six furlongs at the Carnival, Chesterfield, which will again be Mr. Renner's mount, will be carrying 7 lbs more i.e. from 132 to 139 lbs.

## "Rapiers" selections for today

Race No. 1—Magazine Gap Handicap (1st. Section): 6 Furlongs.

HONEY DEW  
TOP HAT  
CONSTANT STAR  
Outsider: Bunkiss.

Race No. 2—Windy Gap Handicap (1st. Section): 1 Mile.

YACAL  
PEACOCK  
GOOD DAY  
Outsider: Flight.

Race No. 3—Pottinger Gap Handicap (1st. Section): 1 1/4 Miles.

AUTUMN LEAF  
POSSIBILITY  
ROWANGLEN  
Outsider: Ringmer.

Race No. 4—Customs Pass Handicap (1st. Section): 1 1/2 Miles.

CHESTERFIELD  
BOOTSIE  
DAISY BELL  
Outsider: Cooper.

Race No. 5—Windy Gap Handicap (2nd. Section): 1 Mile.

IRON MASK  
JOCKROCKS  
SPEED WHEEL  
Outsider: Kingfisher.

Race No. 6—Magazine Gap Handicap (2nd. Section): 6 Furlongs.

REUTER  
SHUN LEE  
KWONG LEUNG  
Outsider: Fubuster.

Race No. 7—Smugglers Pass Handicap (2nd. Section): 2 Miles.

KENTUCKY LADY  
GOOGLI  
HELLZAPOPPIN  
Outsider: Tiny Grey.

Race No. 8—Magazine Gap Handicap (3rd. Section): 6 Furlongs.

MADAME BUTTERFLY  
CHIEF WITNESS  
FROSTLIGHT  
Outsider: Windermere.

Race No. 9—Windy Gap Handicap (3rd. Section): 1 Mile.

THE HOPEFUL  
STRATHNAMARA  
ABDUL HAMID  
Outsider: Pottinger.

Race No. 10—Pottinger Gap Handicap (2nd. Section): 1 1/4 Miles.

METEOROLOGIST  
CROWN WITNESS  
HAPPY VALLEY  
Outsider: Sparkling Eyes.

Against the above two ponies in this race.

Windermere is not bad for this distance, although it will have to perform much better to beat the other ponies. Sappientia has improved a great deal in its morning gallops and is quite a danger here.

Race No. 9—Windy Gap Handicap (3rd. Section): One mile.

This race is confined to Class 7 Australian Ponies of previous seasons, Third Section.

I like the chances of The Hopeful (Mr. Holgate), Strathnamara (Mr. Noodi), Pacific (Mr. Renner), Abdul Hamid (Mr. Ostroumoff) and Argus II (Mr. Dau).

The Hopeful won the Phaethon Handicap (First Section) over 1 1/4 miles at the Carnival. On that performance, it was promoted to this class.

As it is now in splendid condition, I think it will just about do it again.

Strathnamara and Pacific are strong ponies and they have done well before over this distance and should have a say at the finish.

Abdul Hamid and Argus II are carrying 145 and 139 lbs respectively and they may quite conceivably cause an upset.

Several entries, however, stand out from the others, in particular, the Middlesex seven, the members of which are sound rugged men.

Jennings, Bicknell and Evans should ensure their backs a fair share of the ball and with Claydon at the top of his form, this team should do extremely well.

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## Softball:

# Jaguars meet Saints in Senior League play-off

(By "GRANDSTAND")

The long awaited Senior League play-off, which necessitated a further elimination series to determine the first four, will commence tomorrow when St. Joseph's take on an ambitious Jaguar nine.

Braves, US Navy and Americans are still entangled in a struggle for the third and fourth positions, but in the absence of the "Salisbury Sound" outfit, Braves should have no difficulty in qualifying when they meet a comparatively weaker substitute USS Bass side, tomorrow afternoon.

The centre of interest in the 4-game inter-hong programme will be the Shell v. Caltex rival tussle, while last year's champions, Gibbs, start their fixtures against a strong Civil Service team.

In the Junior League, the Jaguar Cubs will have their pennant chances at stake when they tangle with the Spartans, as a loss will remove all hopes of a showdown against the Hawks, who have finished their fixtures and are tied with them in losses.

The Wahoes, who are now this year's champions, complete their season's activities in a final game, against Alice Mar's Canadians, while the optimistic Pirates will be out to repeat a previous upset victory over the Felines.

In the ladies minor league, St. Teresa's have been granted a postponement against the Squaws as several of their players have suddenly received medical advice to lay off for a couple of weeks.

Instead, an effort is being made to get McEveans to play off their outstanding game against the Squaws.

Jaguars meet stiff opposition when they clash against the Saints tomorrow.

Although the odds are in favour of the more experienced slugging Saints taking this tilt, there are some people who still maintain that the Jaguars were unlucky in losing to the Saints in their first encounter.

When two teams have reached the top the hard way, they are bound to accumulate a large number of fans, and it is not unnatural that general opinion is divided.

There is, however, no doubt that the youthful Jaguars have

been playing good ball in their first senior season and the Saints should not underestimate their adversary—one break may mean all the difference.

The delayed return of the "Salisbury Sound" from manœuvres has resulted in the USS Bass taking over the fixtures.

The Bass outfit is comparatively weaker, both in the pitching and batting departments, and although they are perfect sports who merely play for the love of the game, it would be a super-optimist who would expect them to topple Charlie Figueiredo's Braves.

A loss for the gobs will mean that they will have to meet the Americans for the remaining play-off berth.

By that time the Salisbury Sound should be back in Port.

Depleted side  
Shell will start against Caltex with a depleted side, as mainstay Spiky Gutierrez is away at Singapore with the hockey team, while Bill "Two-ton" Howard will be on duty.

Chapple Remedios who hurled for Shell last year has since left them but his place on the staff will be taken over by up-and-coming Tony Kwok.

Caltex, who went down to Shell twice last year, will be all out to avenge their former defeats and will present an impressive line-up with Senior League players Olli Vee, Charlie Thompson and Schulte.

Other seasoned campaigners are Tony Pereira, Afri Azevedo and Costa.

This can be anybody's game and loyal supporters will be out en masse to have an afternoon's fun—win or lose or draw.

The Midweek League programme is being drawn up and will commence on Sunday March 19.

# St. Joseph's College Annual Athletic Meet a huge success

## Tennis postponed till Monday

Owing to the inclement weather, all tennis matches in the Colony Open Championships were postponed for yesterday were postponed.

Weather permitting, all postponed matches will be played at Chater Road on Monday, March 13, commencing at 5 p.m.

## 45 Cdo RM hold Inter-Troop Sports Meet

Star of the 45 Commando Royal Marines Inter-Troop Athletic Meet held at Stanley Barracks yesterday was Mne Keenan, who scored 30 points to win the Individual Championship.

Keenan won the 120 yards hurdles, the high jump and the hop, step and jump events.

The Inter-Troop trophy was won by "X" Troop, which secured a commanding lead of 97 points over its nearest rivals, "Y" Troop, which took second place with 50 points.

The Sergeant's race, which proved to be a most amusing yet difficult event, was won by Sergeant Bankey.

In this race, the competitors ran 50 yards, drank a quart of beer, ran another 25 yards and peeled a potato; the remainder of the 100-yard event was completed with competitors carrying an empty beer bottle and knife while running with the potato between their knees.

The following are the results:  
100 yards: 1. Mne. Smith (H); 2. Mne. Laird (A); 3. Mne. Laird (A); 4. Mne. Laird (A); 5. Mne. Laird (A); 6. Mne. Laird (A); 7. Mne. Laird (A); 8. Mne. Laird (A); 9. Mne. Laird (A); 10. Mne. Laird (A); 11. Mne. Laird (A); 12. Mne. Laird (A); 13. Mne. Laird (A); 14. Mne. Laird (A); 15. Mne. Laird (A); 16. Mne. Laird (A); 17. Mne. Laird (A); 18. Mne. Laird (A); 19. Mne. Laird (A); 20. Mne. Laird (A); 21. Mne. Laird (A); 22. Mne. Laird (A); 23. Mne. Laird (A); 24. Mne. Laird (A); 25. Mne. Laird (A); 26. Mne. Laird (A); 27. Mne. Laird (A); 28. Mne. Laird (A); 29. Mne. Laird (A); 30. Mne. Laird (A); 31. Mne. Laird (A); 32. Mne. Laird (A); 33. Mne. Laird (A); 34. Mne. Laird (A); 35. Mne. Laird (A); 36. Mne. Laird (A); 37. Mne. Laird (A); 38. Mne. Laird (A); 39. Mne. Laird (A); 40. Mne. Laird (A); 41. Mne. Laird (A); 42. Mne. Laird (A); 43. Mne. Laird (A); 44. Mne. Laird (A); 45. Mne. Laird (A); 46. Mne. Laird (A); 47. Mne. Laird (A); 48. Mne. Laird (A); 49. Mne. Laird (A); 50. Mne. 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